

FINAL BILL REPORT

SB 6219

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning actions for damage arising from vehicular traffic on a primitive road.

Sponsors: Senators Dansel, Sheldon, Hatfield and Hobbs.

Senate Committee on Law & Justice
House Committee on Judiciary

Background: County roads may be designated as primitive roads where the roads:

- are not part of the county's primary road system;
- are composed of a gravel or earth surface; and
- have an average daily traffic volume of 100 or fewer vehicles.

Warning signs designating a primitive road must be placed where a highway connects with a primitive road. The Board of County Commissioners may limit or prohibit classes of vehicles on any county road.

State law prohibits consideration of the road design, road location, and signage or lack of signage other than required warning signs, in any legal action against a county or county employee for damages arising from vehicle traffic on primitive roads.

Summary: Discretionary maintenance may not be considered in any legal action against a county for damages arising from vehicle traffic on primitive roads.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	48	0
House	97	0

Effective: June 12, 2014

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